

REMARKS

Upon entry of the present amendment, claims 1-9 are pending in the above-referenced patent application and are currently under examination. Claims 1, 6, 7 and 9 have been amended.

For the Examiner's convenience, and in view of the proximity to the Amendment submitted on March 21, 2007, the claims above show the amendments made in the Amendment of March 21, 2007 in addition to the amendments made herein. Applicants note that the additional amendments have been made to step f of claim 1 and to claim 9, and are made to correct references to earlier steps.

Support for the amendments to the claims can be found in the specification at page 12, line 3 to page 13, line 3, Figures 5 and 7 and in claim 1 as filed.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, Applicants believe all claims now pending in this Application are in condition for allowance. The issuance of a formal Notice of Allowance at an early date is respectfully requested.

If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at 415-576-0200.

Respectfully submitted,



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